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FOR SCICOUNS

1. ATMOSPHERE WAS CORDIAL AT THIRD MEETING OF US-USSR JOINT COMMISSION ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION HELD IN WASHINGTON OCTOBER 24-25. AGREEMENT WAS EASILY AND AMICABLY REACHED ON RECORD AND JOINT COMMUNIQUE (TEXTS POUCHED TO EMBASSY OCT. 26). DR. STEVER SUMMARIZED MEETING BY SAYING WE WERE IN HIGH GEAR AND WOULD SOON BE IN OVERDRIVE. WHILE IN WASHINGTON KIRILLIN WAS RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE ACTING SECRETARY.

2. PRONSKY'S REVIEW OF OVERALL US-USSR S&T RELATIONS HIGHLIGHTED AGREEMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 4 BETWEEN PRIVATE US FIRMS AND USSR STATE COMMITTEE ON S&T, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH GE ON POWER GENERATION EQUIPMENT AND WITH KAISER ON ALUMINUM PRODUCTION FROM NEPHELINE. GRANGER'S UNCLASSIFIED

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RESPONSE EMPHASIZED EXPECTATION OF CONGRESS AND AMERICAN

PEOPLE THAT US AND USSR WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
PREPARATORY WORK ACCOMPLISHED AND NOW SHARE KNOWLEDGE IN
SIGNIFICANT WAY.

3. COMMISSION WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED THAT FOUR
CHEMICAL CATALYSIS PROJECTS AND TWO PROJECTS ON
APPLICATION OF COMPUTERS TO MANAGEMENT HAD MOVED TO
STAGE OF ACTUAL JOINT WORK AND THAT OTHERS IN
ELECTROMETALLURGY, MICROBIOLOGY, SCIENCE POLICY AND
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION WERE READY TO MOVE
TO THAT STAGE. -

4. US NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND USSR ACADEMY OF
SCIENCES WERE ASKED TO COOPERATE IN PHYSICS, INITIALLY
BY SELECTING EXPERTS TO CARRY OUT JOINT WORK ON SOLID
STATE THEORY AND ON THEORETICAL RELATIVISTIC
ASTROPHYSICS. ZHAVORONKOV NOTED COOPERATION IN
ELECTRONIC THEORY OF SOLID STATE PRECEDED 1972 S&T
AGREEMENT, IN FORM OF FIVE SYMPOSIA: 1968, 1971 AND
1974 IN USSR AND 1970 AND 1973 IN US. IDEA OF A JOINT
PHYSICS INSTITUTE, WHICH HAD BEEN NOTED WITH APPROVAL AT
SECOND MEETING, WAS NOT MENTIONED AT THIRD.

5. IT WAS AGREED THAT JOINT WORKING GROUP ON
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SHOULD GIVE FIRST PRIORITY TO MHD
AND ALSO GIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION TO ELECTROMETALLURGY
AND CHEMICAL CATALYSIS. KIRILLIN QUESTIONED NEED FOR
SPECIAL PATENT PROCEDURES BUT, ON BEING ASSURED THERE
WERE NO DOUBTS ON US SIDE, AGREED TO PROCEED. HE ASKED
FROM WHICH SOVIET ORGANIZATION PERSONNEL SHOULD BE
DRAWN. US REPLIED THAT WAS SOVIET PREROGATIVE BUT US
WORKED WELL WITH SOVIET AD HOC GROUP AT SECOND JOINT
COMMISSION MEETING. PRONSKY STATEMENT GAVE DECEMBER 1974
AS TIME FOR FIRST MEETING OF WORKING GROUP; BUT LACK TO
DATE OF SPECIFIC MEETING PLANS MAKES SUCH EARLY TIMING
UNLIKELY.

6. COMMISSION NOTED NINE ENERGY PROJECTS WOULD
HENCEFORWARD BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER ENERGY AGREEMENT.
COMMISSION ALSO AGREED STANDARDS FOR FARM MACHINERY
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AND EQUIPMENT AND FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WOULD BE
STUDIED UNDER AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT AGREEMENTS,
REQUESTING JOINT COMMITTEES UNDER THOSE AGREEMENTS TO
ARRANGE TO KEEP STANDARDIZATION WORKING GROUP FULLY
INFORMED. COMMISSION CONFIRMED DIVISION OF METROLOGY
AND STANDARDIZATION INTO TWO WORKING GROUPS. IN
DISCUSSION OF METROLOGY, KRASNOV SUGGESTED ENVIRONMENTAL
STANDARDS BE CONSIDERED AND ROBERTS (NBS) AGREED THIS

COULD BE DONE.

7. NO NEW AREAS WERE APPROVED FOR COOPERATION; BUT IT WAS AGREED TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF INITIATING COOPERATION IN DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC

INSTRUMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION AT FOURTH MEETING.

8. COMMISSION DEEMED IT DESIRABLE, TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, TO SPREAD ANNUAL MEETINGS OF VARIOUS JOINT COMMITTEES THROUGHOUT YEAR. US AND SOVIET SIDES UNDERTOOK TO EXPLORE MATTER EXPEDITIOUSLY WITH EXECUTIVE SECRETARIATS OF OTHER AGREEMENTS. KIRILLIN ALSO SUGGESTED EACH SIDE TALK WITH NATIONAL PORTIONS OF OTHER JC'S WITH OBJECT OF DETERMINING REALISTICALLY WHAT COORDINATING ROLE OF JOINT COMMISSION SHOULD BE.

9. RECEIVING SIDE PAYS ARRANGEMENTS WERE NOT DISCUSSED. AYKAZIAN SAID SOVIET MINISTRY OF FINANCE STUDY NOT YET COMPLETED.

10. AT PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING SIGNING OF RECORD, KIRILLIN ANSWERED QUESTION WHETHER REDUCTION IN TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE DESIRABLE WITH OBSERVATIONS THAT, FROM STANDPOINT OF SCIENCE, WE WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT SUCH RESTRICTIONS BUT THAT THERE WERE OTHER (UNSPECIFIED) CONSIDERATIONS. KIRILLIN REPLIED TO QUESTION WHETHER PHYSICS COOPERATION WOULD INCLUDE LASERS BY STATING THAT WG CHAIRMEN HAVE WIDE LATITUDE TO DETERMINE WHAT THEY WILL STUDY. AUFENKAMP AND RAMEEV ANSWERED NUMEROUS BROAD QUESTIONS ON COMPUTERS BY DESCRIBING PROJECTS BEING UNDERTAKEN ON APPLICATION OF COMPUTERS TO MANAGEMENT.

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11. FOLLOWING MEETING, SOVIET DELEGATION VISITED NEW ORLEANS, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, PHILADELPHIA, BOSTON AND NEW YORK. BORESKOV VISITED THE PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO., CATALYSIS LABORATORY IN TULSA INSTEAD OF GOING TO PHILADELPHIA AND BOSTON. KAPUSTIAN VISITED VARIOUS AGRICULTURAL INSTALLATIONS BUT OTHERWISE TRAVELED WITH GROUP. KRASNOV, BORESKOV, BORODAVCHENKO, MAKAROV AND RAMEEV VISITED CDC IN WASHINGTON. INGERSOLL

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